

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L BELGRADE 5999

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MY KN JA  
SUBJECT: NORTH KOREAN DIPLOMATIC BEHAVIOR

REF: KUALA LUMPUR 5673

1. FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH, JAPANESE EMBOFF TOLD POLOFF THAT AT  
SEPT 1 OPENING OF A SOVIET EXHIBIT, NORTH KOREAN EMBOFF  
SHOOK HANDS WITH HIM AND EXCHANGED A FEW PLEASANTRIES (IN  
SERBO-CROATIAN) BEFORE GOING OFF. JAPANESE WHO IS WELL KNOWN  
THROUGH DIP COMMUNITY SAID THAT FORMERLY SAME AND OTHER  
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NORTH KOREANS HAD MERELY IGNORED HIM.

2. FEW DAYS EARLIER SAME POLOFF WHILE WAITING AT A GAS PUMP  
WAS WATCHING A NORTH KOREAN EMBASSY CAR DRIVE PAST WHEN  
SUDDENLY THE DRIVER LOOKED AT THE POLOFF'S  
LICENCE TAG, SMILED, AND APPEARED TO ALMOST WAVE BEFORE  
DRIVING AWAY. (YUGOSLAV DIP PLATES INDICATE THE EMBASSIES

TO WHICH CARS ARE REGISTERED.)

3. WE UNABLE TO EXPLAIN THIS BEHAVIOR BUT BELIEVE JAPANESE  
EMBOFF MIGHT BE ON RIGHT TRACK WHEN HE SUGGESTED THAT NORTH  
KOREANS ARE BEGINNING TO REALIZE (PERHAPS IN PART THROUGH  
YUGOSLAV PRODDING) THAT THEY MUST CHANGE THEIR BEHAVIOR IN  
ORDER TO SCORE POINTS AT UN, IN NAM, AND IN OTHER  
INTERNATIONAL FORUMS. HOW PAINFUL IT MUST BE FOR THEM.  
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